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The Sessions of the Women's Foreign Missionary Sciety Being Held in the First Presbyterian Church, and the Visitors Entertaied by Wheeling Ladies - Dr. Chalfant's Address Last Night-Ceneludes To-day.

The twenty-second annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary So-ciety of the Washington Presbytery, was opened yesterday morning in this city, and the sessions, which will continue until to-day at noon, are being held at the First Presbyterian church. The atendance of delegates is large, and the procedings are of great interest, the "Presbyterial," as it is known, being an influential adjunct of the Presbyter-

Yesterday's sessions attracted a large attendance of visitors, and there were nearly seventy-five delegates answering to the roll call. The Wheeling ladies spared no efforts to make the stay of the visitors as enjoyable as possible, and they fairly outdid themselves in this undertaking. The church auditor-ium was beautifully decorated for the meeting, the visitors were met at the depots and escorted to lodgings selected for them, and at noon, they were treated to a sumptuous dinner, served in the lecture room.

The delegates to the Presbytery in attendance yesterday were as follows: Upper Buffalo—Mrs. D. H. Snodgrass,

Mrs. Maxwell, Miss Helen Donehey, Miss E. Adamson and Miss B. Magil. New Cumberland-Mrs. McMichael.

West Alexander-Miss Armstrong, Miss Phoebe Carson, Miss Nora Lawton, Miss L. McMurray, Miss Pearl Vermillon, Miss L. Stewart.

Miss Jennie Carothers. Fairview-Mrs. A. G. Glass. Burgettstown-Mrs. Bedill, Miss Pat-

erson, Miss McMurray and Miss Lyson. Mill Creek-Mrs. Stevens and Mrs.

Wellsburg-Miss Stockdale, Mrs. Harlen, Mrs. Douglass, Miss Quest, Misses B. Wells and Mabel Gullett, Mrs. S. O. Paull and Mrs. S. E. Boyd. Washington-Mrs. Snowden,

Speers, Mrs. Woods, Miss Eagleson, Miss Christian, Mrs. Wood, Miss Hayes, Miss Trussell.
Cross Creek Village—Miss Bessie

Donehoo, Miss G. Anderson. Independence-Mrs. S. G. Waugh,

Miss Mulholland. Claysville—Mrs. Frank Fish.

West Liberty-Mrs. W. H. Jacobs, Mrs. J. B. Garver.

Elm Grove—Miss Addie Brown, Miss Lizzie Butler, Mrs. Laverty Greer, Mrs. W. E. Allen, Miss Mary Weyman, Miss Julia Atkinson.

Cameron-Miss Nettle Montgomery. Wheeling-Mrs. T. B. McLain, Mrs. George B. Woods.

Vance Memorial, Pleasant Valley-Mrs. C. B. Austin, Mrs. E. W. Alexan-

Among the visitors from a distance were Mrs. Amanda Foster, Pleasant Valley; Miss Anna Jacob, West Liberty; Mrs. Arthur Carter, Elm Grove; Mrs. Dr. Lee, of Burgettstown; Mrs. Fisher, Miss Alexander and Mrs. Graham, Bridgeport; Mrs. McMurray, Mrs. Lyons and Mrs. Anderson, of Burgetts-

A great amount of the success of the irrangements, carried out so systematically, redounds to the ability of Mrs. M. E. Irwin, of this city, who was assisted by other ladies of the First church. Mrs. Irwin was a busy woman yesterday, registering the delegates and su-perintending other details. All incoming trains were met by Mrs. C. S. Ter-ril, and an escort of the following boys, who acted as pages at the "popular meeting," held in the evening: Masters Edwin Moise, Fred Harvey, Sidney Mc-Coy, Alex Rhodes, Howard Merkle. The boys were appropriate badges, and carried the valises of the delegates to the rooms selected for them. The King's serving the dinner.

The local committees were as follows: Badge committee-Mrs. Cramner Caldwell, Miss Flora Stifel, Miss Bessle McLain, Mrs. C. S. Terrill, Miss Teresa

Lunch committee-Mrs. J. N. Vance, Mrs. W. F. Butler, Mrs. Robert White, Mrs. John Frew, Mrs. Ada Kelly, Mrs. Joseph Bell, Miss Julia Goldman.

Ladles presiding at lunch tables— Mesdames John C. Hupp, H. H. Harrison, H. M. Russell, James Cummins, Rebecca Harden, M. E. Irwin, S. L. Jep son, C. L. Cranmer, J. N. Vance, Joseph Bell, Miss Sutia Irwin.

The Presbyterial convened at 10:45 a.m. The address of welcome was made by Mrs. S. L. Jepson, and responded to by Mrs William Speer. A vocal solo was sung by Mrs. Flora Williams, after which followed the reading of reports until noon by Misses Hayes, Truesdell, Speer, Baird and Stockdale.

Devotional exercises, led by Miss Fan-nic Noble, opened the afternoon session. Miss Margaret Harvey sang a pleasing solo, and Mrs. Charles Forman, a returned Indian missionary, spoke of mision work in India.

"A young people's hour," presided over by Miss Katherine Hayes, follow-The participants taking a prominent part were: Mrs. Frank Fish, Mrs. S. O. Paull, Miss Mary S. Brown, Miss Julia Deiters, Master Joseph Parker, Miss Lulu Loughman.

The Presbyterial resumes this morning at 9:30 o'clock. An interesting talk on "Home Life and Mission Work in India," is promised by Miss A. C. Good, a

Dr. Chalfant's Lecture.

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The evening session resolved itself into a popular meeting, addressed by Rev. George W. Chalfant, D. D., of Pittsburgh, moderator of the Pennsylvania synod, and the large audience was highly entertained. The pastor of the church, Rev. D. A. Cunningham, D. D., presided, and introduced the speaker with happy references to foreign missions. A vocal solo by Miss Virginia Harrison was a feature of the programme.

Dr. Chalfant is familiar with mission work in China and Japan, having sons in the work there, besides having spent

considerable time in both countries. His talk last night dealt with the peculiar lifeand customs of China and Japan, and he spoke encouragingly of the progrees. Christianity was making, thanks to American support. Humor sparkled throughout his discourse, and his hearers were wreathed in smiles at his descriptions of Chinese customs, especially. He had visited the northern provinces of China, speaking of the various modes of travel, which were by cart, wheelbarrow, sedan chairs, or mule litters. The roads were more like trails, and, along them were monuments erected to widows who hadn't married a second time, for which the Chinese character honored them.

Walls predominated in China, he said. The towns were wailed, and a wall surrounded every house. The thickly settled country prevented large farms or extended rural scenes, and the First Presbyterian church covered more ground than four of the largest wheat fields the speaker had seen. The church had cost more than the cost of 1,000 Chinese churches; for space was precious there, and labor was low-priced. Dr. Chalfant was positive that a family of seven in the Chinese interior could live on from \$15 to \$18 a gear, yet they contributed wondrously well in proportion to their means to the support of the Christian missions. The doctor found a great impetus to education for girls, a striking phenomenon, when it is remembered that the all-prevailing custom was to destroy many of the female infants at birth.

Dr. Chalfant traced many evidences of Christianity's influence, and he remarked with pride the fact of Pittsburgh and Wheeling iron and steel products finding a China market, a tribute to American ingenuity as against coolie labor. His treatment of the Japanese home life was equally interesting, and he seemed to give a reference to the Chinese empire as a field for Christian evangelization.

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BOODY—On Tuesday afterneon, April 4, 1899, at 2:05 o'clock, FRANK A. BOODY, in the 43d year of his age.

Funeral from his late residence Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Services at St. Joseph's Cathedral at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are invited to attend. Interment at Mt. Calvary cemeters.

(Pittsburgh Dispatch please copy.) PAXTON—On Thursday, April 6, 1899, at 5 p. m., at the family residence, near Bridgeport, O., NARCISSUS PAX-TON, wife of David Paxton, in the 67th year of her age.

year of her age. uneral from her late residence, on Cadiz Plke, on Saturday, April 8, at 2 p. m. Friends of the family respectfully invited to attend. Interment at Weeks'

ELLIFRITZ-On Wednesday, April 5, 1899 ANNA R., wife of the late O. K. Ellimeral from the residence of her sister Mrs. A. C. Willetts, No. 55 North Hu-ron street, Friday, April 7, 1899, at 1 p. m. Interment at Linwood ceme-tery. Friends of family invited.

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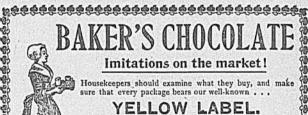
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